

**MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Room W140 West Office Building, State Capitol Complex

January 18, 2006

Members Present: Sen. Al Mansell, Co-Chairman
Sen. Dan Eastman
Sen. Scott McCoy
Rep. Brad Dee
Rep. Patrick Painter
Rep. Jackie Biskupski

Members Excused: Rep. Craig Buttars, Co-Chairman
Rep. Jeff Alexander

Staff Present: Dr. Andrea Wilko, Fiscal Analyst
Juliette M. Tennert, Fiscal Analyst
Jennifer Eyring, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Sen. Mansell called the meeting to order at 3:41 p.m.

Dr. Wilko gave an budget overview of the Department of Community and Culture Administration, Division of Fine Arts and the Division of State Library, noting changes and items for the committee to consider for the priority list.

Yvette Diaz, Executive Directive, Department of Community and Culture, introduced Ally Isom, Deputy Director, Kimbal Hale, CFO, and Claudia Nakano, PIO. She gave an overview of the department's efforts in improving efficiency, accountability, and quality of life. She discussed the department's long range strategic plan.

It was requested that OEA transfer the amount of \$23,300 for FY 2006 and \$65,200 for FY 2007 back to the Administrative Budget for an internal auditor position.

A request was made that \$28,000 in Indian Affairs be prioritized to pay for remaining balance needed for the internal auditor.

Margaret Hunt, Division of Fine Arts, introduced Sandra Andrus, financial manager, and Anne Cullimore Decker, Board Chair of the Utah Arts Council. She reported the division has undergone an effort to re-evaluate their programs so they will contribute more effectively to communities and the quality of life in Utah.

The Division requested \$45,000 in ongoing funds for economic research and public information.

A request was made for a one time appropriation of \$300,000 for the restoration of art in the State Art Collection. The funds would be used for maintenance and conservation of pieces in the collection. The annual budget currently is \$4,000 for conservation of pieces.

It was requested that the \$640,000, one time HAFB easement funds also be used for preservation restoration and acquisitions for the State collections. Some pieces would be purchased from school districts which would transfer assets from one state agency to another. The request was made that \$300,000 of the \$640,000 be allocated for new acquisitions. An additional \$200,000 was requested from the HAFB funds for additional restoration work, and \$140,000 to fund a traveling exhibit.

Donna Jones Morris, Utah State Librarian, Director of Utah State Libraries, introduced Bela Vastag, Financial Manager, Bessie Oakes, Program Manager for the Blind and Disabled, Douglas Abrams, Program Manager for Library Development, and Craig Neilson, Program Manager for Library Resources. Utah was ranked #2 in the national rankings of libraries.

The total budget request was \$8,108,300.

In the general fund, \$4,396,200 was requested..

The Division made a request for increased funding for the Pioneer Database totaling \$88,500.

All Divisions asked for non-lapsing authority.

MOTION: Rep. Biskupski moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Eastman absent for the vote.

Sen. Mansell adjourned the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

Sen. Al Mansell, Co-Chair

Rep. Craig Buttars, Co-Chair